ACT of His Majeſties Privy Council for a Voluntar Contribution for poor Starving Priſoners heavily Groaning under Tyranny and Oppreſſion in *France*.

At Edinburgh, *the eleventh day of* October 1689 years.

THE *Lords of His* Majeſties *Privy Council, Having conſidered a Petition given in to them by* Duncan Campbel, VVilliam Cant, John Fleucker, James Gatt, David VViſhart, James Dunlop, VVilliam Bruce, Richard Hiſlop, *and others, Mariners and Sea-men aboard the Ship called the* George *of* Leith; *Repreſenting, That where in the beginning of the Month of* May *laſt, they being at* Dunkirk *with* Edward Burd, *ready to Sail Home with with the ſaid Ship, were Apprehended and Impriſoned (upon the account the Eſtates had Impriſoned one* Nicolas Drummer *here) and moſt Inhumanely and Barbarouſly uſed in a moſt ſad and miſerable manner, being tranſported from one Priſon and Dungeon to another four hundred Miles over Land, and having no Means left to procure their Relief, and moſt of them being in a Starving Condition, and therefore humbly Supplicating to the effect after-mentioned. The ſaids Lords of Privy Council, Do hereby grant Warrant for a voluntar Contribution within the Town of* Edinburgh, *and Suburbs thereof, in order to their Subſiſtance while in Priſon, and if poſſible, their Releaſement; And the ſaids Lords do ſeriouſly Recommend to the ſeveral Miniſters in Churches and Meeting-houſes, to make Intimation thereof; and they appoint Captain* Edward Burd *of* Foord *to be Collector, who has found Caution to employ and make forth-coming what ſhall be ſo Collected to the effect foreſaid. Extracted by me*

GILB. ELIOT, *Cls. Sti. Concilii.*

God ſave King *William* and Queen *Mary*.

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